

CHICAGO DEMOCRATS

The Twenty-sixth Ward Democratic club of Chicago recently adopted resolutions as follows:

Whereas, In the nomination of the Honorable Edward F. Dunn for governor and the entire state ticket, gives the party the highest hopes of success in the coming campaign, and relying upon the integrity and the pure motives that inspire him, be it

Resolved, That we approve his action in the selection of the Honorable William L. O'Connell as his campaign manager in this state, and be it further

Resolved, That this club pledge to him and to Mr. O'Connell our united support in their efforts to give to the party of the state a clean and efficient administration.

FREDERICK DUNHAM,
S. C. HERREN,
F. W. JARAS,

P. F. HAYNES,
Pres. 26th Ward Dem. Club.

WILLIAM H. PONTOIR,
Secretary.

Whereas, Believing in the eternal principles of democracy, and having an abiding faith in the high destiny of the party,

Believing, That it seeks to confer upon man the largest liberty, the greatest good, and the surest happiness. That its aims are to build up the great interests of the many, care for the weak, and protect them from the strong hand of injustice.

Believing in the fixed and steady principles of progress maintained by our party and her leaders for years, we hail with delighted hearts her action in nominating the Honorable Woodrow Wilson for president of the United States—a man whose pure character, profound learning and patriotic devotion to his country en-

titles him to the earnest and ardent support of every democrat within our city and state. We feel that in the naming of a man so eminently fitted to fill this, the most exalted station within the range of human ambition, that the democratic party has performed a duty that will receive the approval and support of all citizens, in all sections, and by all classes, regardless of parties or creeds. We gladly extend to our party and her candidates the hand of a sincere and grateful people.

We realize that by years of consecrated efforts our distinguished fellow citizen, W. J. Bryan, was largely instrumental in shaping the policy and proclaiming the platform of principles that gives to the people so much hope. Be it, therefore,

Resolved, That this club does hereby heartily indorse the Honorable Woodrow Wilson for president and the Honorable Thomas R. Marshall for vice president of the United States. Be it further

Resolved, That we indorse the action of the convention in the adoption of the platform of principles, conserving the will of the entire people. Be it

Resolved, Further, that we heartily indorse the action of our candidate for president, in the selection of a campaign committee free from the taint of the professional boss, who in the past has used the party organization to serve the special interest he represented. The people, too often deceived, have grown suspicious. The announcement that this evil is to be eradicated, and that the campaign is to be conducted along lines consistent with the ideals of democracy, in plain view of the whole people lifts from off the hearts of the people of the country a cloud of deep depression.

The unfettering of our party from

these conscienceless vampires inspires us with new hope, and plants afresh in the hearts of the people a comforting faith in the democratic party.

FREDERICK DUNHAM,
Chairman.

S. C. HERREN,
F. W. JARAS,

P. F. HAYNES,
Pres. 26th Ward Organization.

WILLIAM H. PONTOIR,
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NEW YORK DEMOCRATS

Waterloo, N. Y., July 22, 1912.—Editor The Commoner: Find enclosed copy of the resolutions passed by the democratic county committee of the county of Seneca, N. Y., at a meeting held in the village of Waterloo, N. Y., July 20, 1912, a copy of the same has been sent to Governor Woodrow Wilson and Governor Marshall.

Resolved, That we, the democratic county committee of the county of Seneca, hereby indorse and approve of the nomination of Governor Woodrow Wilson for the office of president of the United States, believing, as we do, that he represents the highest and noblest type of American Manhood and is a man of intellectual ability and tried statesmanship, upon whom any citizen and especially any democrat can safely rely as a fearless leader. Be it further

Resolved, That we also approve and indorse the nomination of Governor Marshall of Indiana as candidate for vice-president; a man whose record proves him to be in all respects fully qualified for the position, and who has the character and ability to perform with credit to himself, his country and his party any duty that may devolve upon him. Be it further

Resolved, That we approve and give our most hearty commendation to the ways and means which brought about the nomination by the national convention of a ticket that reflects so much credit on the country, and especially the democratic party. And we particularly approve of the conduct and efforts of the Hon. William Jennings Bryan, which made these nominations possible and effectually divorced the democratic party and its standard bearers from any entangling alliances. And be it further

Resolved, That we, individually and as a committee, use every honest effort in our power to bring about the election of the ticket and the success of the democratic party.

MINNESOTA DEMOCRATS

From the St. Paul Pioneer Press: Frederick A. Pike, St. Paul attorney and warm supporter of William Jennings Bryan, has been appointed temporary president and organizer of the Minnesota Federation of Democratic Precinct clubs. A charter for the new state organization was sent to him recently from the headquarters of the national federation at Washington and he will take up the work of state organization at once in preparation for the fall campaign.

The selection of the St. Paul man as head of the state organization was urged by Bryan democrats of Minnesota because of his active efforts in behalf of Bryan four years ago when Fred B. Lynch, national committeeman, was directing the presidential campaign of Governor Johnson. At that time Pike was active in the organization of the Bryan Volunteers and won the friendship of Bryan and other progressive democrats. He had also been active in the campaigns of 1904 and 1900.

Senator Robert L. Owen of Oklahoma, chairman of the committee on

organization and national president of the federation, wrote to Mr. Pike several months ago urging him to take charge of the work of organization in Minnesota. The St. Paul man held the matter in abeyance until after the Baltimore convention when he replied that he was willing to accept.

The Federation of Democratic Precinct clubs is a comparatively new organization projected by progressive democrats at Washington with the approval of Bryan, Champ Clark, Woodrow Wilson and other prominent democrats. It contemplates the formation of clubs of progressive democrats in every precinct in the United States without affiliation with the regular party organizations. Particularly must the clubs be divorced from the regular party committees, when the latter are composed of reactionaries, is the advice given in the circulars sent out from national headquarters. Mr. Pike said, however, that the purpose of the organization was not to antagonize the regular organizations but to co-operate with them whenever possible.

As president of the Minnesota state federation Mr. Pike is authorized to choose a staff of state officers and county presidents to his own liking. Particular stress is laid by national officers on the importance of choosing only known progressives as heads of the county organizations.

The organization in Minnesota will be under way before the end of the month. It is planned to hold a rally after the organization is completed and to invite William J. Bryan or some other progressive democrats to deliver an address.

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